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REPORTS

OF

THE SELECTMEN,

TREASURER,

AND

SUPT. SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Sunapee,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1883.

NEWPORT:
PRINTED BY BARTON & WHEELER.
1883.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Money in the treasury March 1st, 1882,	$437.23	
Paid Treasurer for license,	9.00	
Received by assessing town tax, 1882,	2,036.25	
" " state tax,	628.00	
" " county tax,	655.41	
" " school tax,	749.50	
school house tax in Dist. No. 8,	262.00	
" " " " " No. 4,	50.00	
" " " " " No. 2,	26.21	
surplus on foregoing assessments,	209.08	
non-resident highway tax,	93.18	
dog tax,	49.00	
of Collector, 1879,	5.32	
" 1880,	24.28	
" 1881,	1,276.02	
Interest,	11.12	
County of Sullivan,	414.86	
Savings Bank tax,	470.55	
Railroad tax,	33.83	
Literary Fund,	93.84	
of State bounty on hawks and crows,	22.10	
of Lucy J. Runals, Adm'x, (the Noyce damage)	45.00	
of Selectmen for 1881, School Fund,	416.36	
of Liquor Agent, for liquors and casks,	394.31	
Total,		$8412.45

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for breaking roads,	$400.78
for repairing roads and bridges,	404.94
School and other taxes,	2,602.39
on notes,	1,797.21
miscellaneous,	1,257.06
for support of paupers,	881.72
Total,	$7,344.10

ABATED TAXES ASSESSED 1880.

Lyman W. Clay, tax,	$1 44
James F. Eastman, tax,	4.62
Charles F. Woodward, tax,	5.44
Nathaniel S. Gardner, tax,	2.00

ABATED TAXES ASSESSED 1881.

Julius DeMares, tax,	$1.47
George DeMares, tax,	1.47
Moses S. George, tax,	2.90
Charles Stickney, tax,	1.47
Moses G. Sargent, tax,	1.47

ABATED TAXES ASSESSED 1882.

Joseph H. Trow, tax,	$1.64
John F. Rawson, tax,	1.45
Frances M. Dana, tax,	37.46

RECAPITULATION.

Total receipts, including whole amount tax of 1882,		$8,412.45
Paid treasurer as per receipt,	$7,344.10	
Uncollected taxes of 1882,	253.06	
Balance in treasurer's hands March 1st, 1883,	815.29	
		$8,412.45

BILLS AGAINST THE TOWN.

Rachel Crowell,	note and interest,	$1,073.63
Nancy Rogers,	" " "	248.62
Hiram Newton,	" " "	2,404.14
Mehitable Brown,	" " "	1,259.18
Hazen Crowell,	" " "	353.27
John P. Knowlton,	" " "	1,131.40
Levi Colby,	" " "	962.85
Maroa C. Cooper,	" " "	30.87
Asenath F. Cooper,	" " "	27.10
Lyman Colburn,	" " "	370.68
Jonathan Russell,	" " "	716.11
Alfred Martin,	" " "	419.05
Sarah J. Stickney,	" " "	47.09
William Trow,	" " "	1,309.30

Rhoda Hutchins,	note and interest,	$722.82
Mary P. Straw,	" " "	366.21
Henry H. Stickney,	" " "	77.82
Harvey W. Dickinson,	" " "	649.72
Harvey Brown,	" " "	1,364.37
Juliette K. Boyce,	" " "	533.10
James Collins,	" " "	588.15
Eliza Collins,	" " "	51.67
Elizabeth C. Morgan,	" " "	112.71
Elijah G. Ryder,	" " "	425.38
Betsey Ryder,	" " "	34.27
Ezra G. Ryder,	" " "	134.53
Francena G. Ryder,	" " "	62.40
Charles George,	" " "	130.24
David Brown,	" " "	2,709.63
Mary Ann Davis,	" " "	151.41
M. Q. & R. A. Eastman,	" " "	342.84
Harriet H. Davis,	" " "	327.24
Warren I. Merrill,	" " "	54.47
Lucy A. Roby,	" " "	54.97
Total,		$19,247.24

BILLS IN FAVOR OF THE TOWN.

Money in the treasury March 1st, 1883,	$815.29	
" " " hands of Collector 1878,	71.16	
" " " " " " 1879,	16.42	
" " " " " " 1880,	25.08	
" " " " " " 1881,	211.43	
" " " " " " 1882,	253.06	
Due from the County of Sullivan,	6.00	
" " " Estate of E. S. Eastman,	141.50	
Liquor casks and measures on hand, at cost,	105.00	
		$1,644.94
Balance against the town,		$17,602.30

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN M. COOPER,
SUMNER H. SARGENT,
MURVIN A. BAILEY,
} Selectmen of Sunapee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in the treasury, March 1, 1882,	$437.23	
Received of the selectmen,	1890.85	
Charles C. Morey, the collector,	4505.57	
John F. Davis,	1305.62	
" " " interest on taxes,	10.00	
Charles C. Morey, " " "	1.12	
Moses L. Sargent, town clerk for licenses,	9.00	
Total receipts,		$8159.39

DISBURSEMENTS.

MADE BY ORDERS FROM THE SELECTMEN.

EXPENSE OF PAUPERS.

Paid expense of county paupers,	$420.86	
N. H. Asylum for the Insane, for the support of Isabel Batchelder,	210.36	
D. C. Eastman, for boarding Sally Cheny,	78.00	
D. C. Eastman for extra nursing,	.50	
S. H. Sargent, clothing for Sally Cheny,	1.00	
J. W. Merrill, shoes for Sally Cheny,	1.00	
H. R. Everett, for boarding Lovisa Everett,	78.00	
N. P. Baker, goods for M. A. Angell,	52.00	
Wm. Russell, goods delivered Mrs. M. F. Eastman, for support of child,	26.00	
Alfred Babb, for boarding Blanche I., and Allie H. Eastman,	14.00	
Total,		$881.72

REPAIRING ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid	estate of Albert Runals, for lumber used for highway in 1881,	98.86
	John M. Runals, plank and timber.	43.50
	S. H. Sargent, nails, rods and labor, on bridge railings,	5.29
	J. M. Cooper, labor, and labor furnished on highway	20.00
	M. A. Bailey, labor on highway,	22.25
	S. H. Powell, "	8.50
	Edwin J. George, "	3.93
	Alonzo Cross, "	19.93
	Frank P. Dow, "	3.00
	W. A. King, "	.60
	Loren A. Lear, "	17.00
	D. C. Savory, "	5.78
	Olen A. Lear, "	.75
	James R. Muzzey, "	3.75
	Charles C. Morey, "	17.18
	Philip Flanders, "	12.61
	Geo. E. Lear, "	2.00
	Gilman Whitaker, "	5.00
	Walter E. Holmes, "	11.45
	James M. Davis, "	7.50
	Almon C. George, "	3.00
	David Winn, "	1.50
	Horace A. Crowell, "	2.00
	Asahel Lear, "	6.54
	Geo. B. Wetherbee, "	8.10
	Amasa S. Abbott, "	5.50
	E. G. Ryder, "	7.35
	E. G. Ryder, bridge plank,	2.60
	Walter E. Holmes, "	.65
	John V. Sargent, gravel,	10.00
	Franklin Blodgett, "	8.00
	W. H. H. Cowles, "	14.00
	Orin P. Cross, "	1.82
	J. F. Davis, "	10.00
	J. W. Merrill, "	15.00
	Total,	$404.94

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid	Gilman Whitaker,	$20.85	
	Lyman Colburn,	.81	
	Asahel Lear,	3.45	
	Alfred Babb,	.74	
	D. C. Savory,	13.00	
	Horace A. Crowell,	6.90	
	P. G. Fisher,	17.33	
	W. T. Angell,	23.88	
	Almon Angell,	7.43	
	W. A. King,	1.38	
	H. O. Russell,	18.55	
	David Winn,	6.74	
	Geo. B. Wetherbee,	11.55	
	J. Y. Gardner,	13.96	
	F. J. Colby,	14.27	
	Geo. E. Paul,	6.00	
	Geo. W. Colby,	7.65	
	Ebenezer Batchelder,	1.30	
	H. R. Everett,	8.15	
	E. R. Sargent,	1.65	
	Seth S. Davis,	5.14	
	Samuel Gardner,	8.40	
	Hiram P. Eastman,	3.45	
	James F. Woods,	3.75	
	Amasa S. Abbott,	17.10	
	Almon C. George,	45.91	
	James M. Davis,	5.56	
	E. G. Ryder,	12.21	
	Almon L. Lear,	27.45	
	S. H. Powell,	4.18	
	C. C. Morey,	30.04	
	A. D. Noyes,	.98	
	J. C. Davis,	29.81	
	W. E. Holmes,	21.21	
	Total,		$400.78

SCHOOL AND OTHER TAXES.

Paid	W. S. Angell,	District No. 1,	$105.56
	Geo. W. Colby,	" 2,	155.12

Paid A. C. George, District No. 3,		$66.92	
S. H. Powell, " 4,		87.09	
C. L. Russell, " 5,		75.35	
A. D. Noyes, " 6,		37.22	
B. R. Sleeper, " 7,		83.93	
J. P. Smith, " 8,		188.28	
R. B. Muzzey, " 9,		89.80	
Geo. W. Colby, school house tax in Dist. No. 2,		25.00	
C. C. Morey, school house tax in Dist. No. 4,		50.00	
Geo. H. Bartlett, school house tax in Dist. No. 8,		262.00	
E. H. Carr, County tax,		655.41	
Solon A. Carter, State tax,		628.00	
C. C. Morey, abated taxes,		40.55	
C. C. Morey, non-resident highway receipts,		26.50	
J. F. Davis, " " "		2.00	
J. F. Davis, abated taxes, assessed in 1880,		14.88	
" " " 1881,		8.78	
Total,			$2,602.39

NOTES.

Paid note of Lyman W. Clay in full,	$146.21	
note of Sarah L. Colby in full,	290.60	
note of Charlotte Blaisdell in full,	294.40	
on note of Mary P. Straw,	225.00	
" Maroa C. Cooper,	195.00	
Harriet H. Davis,	8.00	
Mary A. Davis,	20.00	
Nancy Rogers,	10.00	
Warren I. Merrill,	50.00	
David Brown,	108.00	
Hiram Newton,	100.00	
Wm. Trow,	100.00	
Rhoda Hutchins,	50.00	
Mehitable Brown,	50.00	
Lyman Colburn,	50.00	
Juliette K. Boyce,	50.00	
John P. Knowlton,	50.00	
Total,		$1,797.21

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Barton & Wheeler, printing town reports,	$16.00
E. C. Eastman, for blanks,	8.80
Moses L. Sargent, blank mortgage book,	5.75
C. F. Leslie, certificates births and deaths,	6.00
D. M. Currier, " "	.50
costs in Amos Hasting's case,	46.59
A. S. Wait, services in A. Hasting's case,	103.00
A. S. Wait, services in Martha A. Hasting's case,	39.00
Ira Colby, retainer and services in the Hasting's case,	20.00
Stephen P. Colby, damage to carriage on highway,	8.00
Frances M. Dana, land damage,	10.00
S. H. Edes, land damage,	1.00
Selectmen, bounty on 167 ~~hawks and~~ crows,	16.70
N. N. Jackson, damage to sheep by dogs,	7.00
D. B. Robinson, " "	9.00
E. R. Sargent, " "	12.00
E. R. Sargent, posts for guide boards,	.66
James B. Smith, guide boards,	5.00
J. M. Cooper, bolts and setting guide boards,	2.25
" expense to Concord and Claremont by R. R.,	3.50
J. M. Cooper, blanks and postage,	1.50
" horse hire,	5.50
J. A. Tucker, watering trough,	3.00
W. H. H. Cowles, "	3.00
Asahel Lear, "	3.00
Jonathan Russell, "	3.00
D. C. Savory, "	2.00
J. W. Merrill, watering trough 1 1-2 yrs.,	4.50
" freight, ~~measures and~~ liquors,	10.36
" services and liquor agent,	60.00
Dunbar & Co., liquors, casks, and packing the same,	337.75
J. F. Davis, use of hall for three town meetings and for rooms to settle in,	25.00
F. O. Dow, opening grave for S. G. Page,	3.00
Frank P. Dow, services as sexton,	18.00

Paid	Alonzo Cross, services as sexton,	$5.00	
	Horace A. Crowell, "	12.50	
	Walter E. Holmes, "	5.00	
	Geo. E. Alexander, services as hearse driver,	5.00	
	F. P. Morgan, "	33.00	
	" tolling bell at eight deaths,	4.00	
	C. H. Muzzey, " seven deaths,	3.50	
	J. F. Davis, services as collector,	19.58	
	C. C. Morey, "	67.57	
	S. H. Powell, services as supervisor,	10.00	
	Lyman Colburn, "	10.00	
	J. P. Smith, "	13.00	
	" services as treasurer,	15.00	
	" paying state and county taxes,	3.50	
	" stationery, postage, &c.,	1.05	
	George Dodge, services Supt. School Com.,	34.00	
	" furnishing school laws,	2.00	
	Moses L. Sargent, services as town clerk,	21.00	
	" stationery and postage,	2.00	
	M. A. Bailey, services as selectman,	47.00	
	S. H. Sargent, "	40.00	
	J. M. Cooper, "	84.00	
	" services as overseer of poor,	19.00	
	Total,		$1,257.06

RECAPITULATION.

Total receipts,		$8,159.39
Paid expenses of paupers,	$881.72	
for repairing roads and bridges,	404.94	
for breaking roads,	400.78	
school and other taxes,	2,602.39	
on notes,	1,797.21	
miscellaneous expenses,	1,257.06	
Cash in the treasury,	815.29	
Total disbursements,		$8,159.39

JOSEPH P. SMITH, Town Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the above report, and find it correct. We accept the same.

JOHN M. COOPER,
SUMNER H. SARGENT,
MURVIN A. BAILEY,
} Selectmen of Sunapee.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee

FOR 1882-3.

Dr. Bushby, the eminent English instructor, being asked how he, through the successive and turbulent reigns of Charles I., Oliver Cromwell, Charles II., and James, continued to hold mastership of Westminster school replied, "The fathers govern the nation, the mothers govern the fathers, the boys govern the mothers, and I govern the school." Is it unfair or illogical then to conclude that our teachers occupy a position which enables them to be, and that in fact they are, the molders of the governors of the state and nation? This being so, what care for honest purposes and correct principles should he have who would encourage, stimulate, foster and rear the tender thoughts of rising humanity. Herbert says "The task of the instructor consists in transmitting and interpreting to the new generation the experiences of the race." We hear from Macauley "A people which takes no pride in the noble achievements of remote ancestors will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered with pride by remote descendants." Rouseau's "Emile" portrays a system according to which the charge of early education belongs properly to the father and mother. The Swiss Pestalozzi, who for the last hundred years has exerted so strong an influence upon education in Germany, sets forth that education must begin and continue under home influence. Teachers well know, and most keenly do they feel, that their success very largely depends upon the manner in which parents second their efforts. Parents and guardians by indifference, not to mention either covert or open opposition, have perplexed and discouraged, if not broken down, many an excellent teacher. An inimical remark or opinion often will prompt more insubordination, and even open rebellion, than a hostile one. Store-gossips, idle talkers and tattlers, produce more evil consequences than one can wish to fol-

low. The interests of the school-room ought not to be thus jeopardized. Greatest are the dependences upon the wisdom and abilities of the teacher. "I like sparkling water from a sparkling goblet." Extreme loquacity, relaxation of discipline, loss of self-control puts the whip and reins into the hands of the pupils. There is nothing like a lively appreciation of the subject being taught, with a happy method of illustration and good common sense, backed by a will which admits of no vacillation. A positive mild character, accomplishes much more than a negative boisterous one. Let the branches taught have a practical shape and aim in the mind of the teacher. Let him be able to show why and on what principles the statements and directions of the book are given. Hardly can there be a greater mistake, or more fatal one, than the prevalent idea that a teacher of limited attainments, little experience or tact, will answer for a school of small scholars, or a backward one. They are made and kept dull and backward by the employing of dull and backward teachers. One who can be most versatile, bright, sprightly and fertile in devices for exciting and sustaining an interest; one who can put in the place of dearth, intellectual life, in that of darkness, light, turning from the abstract book statement to the concrete, lively principles underlying such statement; he who can provoke most thought and best reasoning, should be put in such schools, though the term must be shorter.

There has been brought to the knowledge of the Committee, no case of intentional neglect on the part of teachers to do their duty to the pupils under their charge, yet different degrees of success have been manifested in the schools for the reason that nature as well as art has a large part in the make-up of a teacher as well as that of a statesman, an orator, or the large pine or the red-wood trees of California. Experience added to native ability improves it. "Number of terms" without that prerequisite, will not be accompanied with great progress. The large experience of some of the teachers, with their natural adaptability to instruct has been very advantageous. Also some excellent talent has shown itself where the "number of terms" has been small. The schools have been all that could reasonably be expected; though more in some cases would have been desirable. Outline maps, a globe, and a Webster's Unabridged Dictionary in each school-house would be efficient aids. No. 8 is thus supplied; the others hardly can afford to be without them. Only one certificate has been

asked for of the Superintending School Committee for "returned register," and but five of the registers are properly filled. This causes the Superintending School Committee, in making this report, much annoyance, and will render it impossible to fully report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

More strictness on the part of the Prudential Committees should be insisted upon in this matter. It is not intended that this report shall contain any blazing, searching criticism nor fulsome, doubtful flattery: but should any future Prudential Committee desire information about any of the teachers, as such, it will be freely imparted. The teachers and pupils of this town have the best wishes of the Supt. School Committee for their co-operation in promoting the cause of education.

It was an agreeable surprise to the Committee being placed in the relation he was to the schools last March. It has been his constant, earnest effort to promote their interest. Some improvement can be made; others, not now practical, future events may develop.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE DODGE,

Supt. School Committee.

Sunapee, March 13, 1883.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SCHOOLS.

No. of District.	No. of Terms.	Names of Teachers.	No. of weeks of School.		Whole Attendance.	Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Geography.	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	History,	
1	1	Clara E. Fisher,.....	9			7	6	5	2		3		
	2	"	10	2-5	15	15	15	14	9	9	13	1	
2	1	Ella M. Emerson,.....	10			15	15	13	11		13		
	2	Dora M. Pike,.....	10			18	18	15	9	1	12		
	3	W. E. Chaffin,.....	4			13	13	4	11	5	11		Too much neglected!
	4	Joseph P. Smith,.....	6		24	14	14	7	9	5	14		
3	1	Effie C. Noyes,.....	10			14	13	2	3		6		
	2	Florence B. Emerson,.....	8		21	8	8	1	3	1	5		
4	1	Clara B. Barton,.....	8			14	14	7	3	4	8		
	2	Jennie B. Carter,.....	6			16	16	7	3	5	10		
	3	Francena G. Rider,.....	10	3-5	19	18	18	9	7	5	14		
5	1	Eliza A. Tucker,.....	8			23	23	16	11	2	17		
	2	"	12		30	28	28	22	8	8	18		
6	1	Cora Partridge,.....	6			5	4	2			2		
	2	"	7		5	5	4	3			2		
7	1	Mary E. Knowlton,.....	8			14	14	5	4	6	9		
	2	Joseph P. Smith,.....	8		24	20	20	7	9	9	15		
8	1	N. L. B. Dodge,.....	10			33	33	23	22	11	29		
	2	"	10			40	40	30	24	17	34		
	3	"	12		45	41	41		23	18	35	1	
9	1	Francena G. Rider,.....	7			22	22	14	14	3	18		
	2	Edwin P. Stickney, 2d,..... ..	13	4-5	26	26	26	17	16	4	22		

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